



General Assembly

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Committee Bill No. 5873

LCO No. 5272

Referred to Committee on Public Health

Introduced by:
(PH)

**AN ACT CONCERNING EXPERIMENTAL DRUG USE BY PERSONS
WITH MENTAL RETARDATION.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General
Assembly convened:

1 (NEW) The Commissioner of Mental Retardation shall establish a
2 pilot program to enable any guardian of a person with mental
3 retardation to approve experimental drug use for such person if (1) the
4 prescribed experimental drug will specifically benefit such person's
5 condition, and (2) the Department of Mental Retardation, or a
6 committee of the department, has approved the use of such
7 experimental drug for such condition. The commissioner may adopt
8 regulations, in accordance with chapter 54 of the general statutes, to
9 implement and administer the pilot program established under this
10 section.

Statement of Purpose:

To allow greater access to experimental drugs for persons with mental
retardation.

*[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline,
except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is
not underlined.]*

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